MIHP AND WIC MATERNAL SCREENING INTEGRATION PILOTS

PROVIDER REQUIREMENTS

MDCH has identified a set of conditions and requirements that must be met in order for local WIC and MIHP programs to work together in using the MDCH draft Integrated Maternal Screening Tool for both programs. This arrangement at this time also includes being part of the research pilots being conducted by the Michigan Families Medicaid Project (MFMP), which involves an additional set of criteria.

The participating local providers must submit a joint description of how they will meet these requirements to MFMP (see below). MFMP will share this information with MDCH (WIC and MIHP program staff, as well as MSA policy). Once MDCH is satisfied that these conditions have been met (with concurrence occurring between MSA policy, WIC, MIHP and MFMP), the local providers will receive a letter of approval from MDCH.

The conditions and requirements are:

1. The approximate number of anticipated screenings to be completed under this arrangement must be identified, including the relative percent of total screenings completed by the involved participants that this is anticipated to be.

2. Because the Integrated Screening Tool has many more questions (and thus takes more time to complete) than the WIC screening alone, participating WIC programs must be able to describe how they will fund this extra time with monies other than the federal funds provided for WIC. (WIC programs cannot currently bill for completing this integrated screening for MIHP).

3. Clarification of how the billing for the Screening will take place, and for whom must be provided. At this point in time, only MIHP programs can bill for the screening, and it must be completed by one of the three designated disciplines. Local descriptions of how this can be appropriately accomplished through on-site staffing and/or staff activity tracking must be provided.

4. Both the MIHP and the WIC program must each have an appropriate signed consent by the MIHP beneficiary for sharing the data with the other program.

5. Both programs must have a method for assuring that each program has a copy of the data once consents are in place.

6. Where there are multiple WIC and/or MIHP providers in the community, the participating programs must describe how each participant will be informed objectively of all the provider options and how informed participant choice will be implemented in the linkage to the selected community provider (who may or may not be participating in the screening integration process at this point in time).

7. Both programs must provide descriptions of how they will assure that all women screened are referred and linked to both the WIC and MIHP program of their choice, whether or not the selected program is participating in the screening integration pilot.

8. Both programs must be willing to complete surveys and/or other input formats developed by MDCH in order to evaluate how well the tool and the process are working relative to time, cost, quality of screening outcome, data input, process issues and perceived

participant satisfaction. Additional input from participants may also be solicited, and the involved programs must agree to support these activities as well.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR BEING A RESEARCH PILOT SITE

1. Interested research sites should contact MFMP site coordinator, Gina Brooks, to enroll as a research site. Gina can be reached at 517-353-1664 or Gina.brooks@ht.msu.edu

2. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is drafted between MFMP and each participating site that details roles, responsibilities and reimbursement of research related costs.

3. Sites must consent each participant via the MFMP approved consent form.

4. The information captured from the screening tool must be submitted to MFMP in the fashion agreed to in the MOU. (This could include fax, mailing, or electronic means.)

5. Research sites will be offer the opportunity to train and use the technological version of the screening tool as soon as it is available.